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What is this town coming to under the administration of the new Mayor? DE LA BARRA should have reassured with a merchant marine. We are bound in candor to say that it them; emanations of the yellow press begins to look decidedly as if New York might be coming to its own. Two such manifestations of high and disinterested intelligence on the part of Mr. MITCHEL as are discernible in his selection of Colonel George Washington GOETHALS to be Police Commissioner and of FRANK LYON POLK to be Corporation Counsel serve mightily to confirm the pleasant impression.

The Attempt at Definition.

In our review the other day of the President's speech in Congress outlining his plans for new trust legislation upon that portion of the President's programme which comprised an at- Mexicans and Japanese were brothers tempt to make definitions of the scope of the present anti-trust law and to Umit the "area of debatable ground" bills on the subject were actually introduced. The President referred to the sideration of his proposition was absolutely impossible since the proposition was in no way clearly outlined. The bill in question was made public yesterday morning and can now be examined and discussed.

As we expected, it is of farcical char-

acter. The President has really made no attempt to define the words "restraint of trade" and "monopoly"; and his failure to do so is because he is a sensible man and in spite of all his declarations to the contrary he understarts off with a definition that any the ice. combination or agreement between any two or more persons "to create or carry out restrictions in trade or to acquire a monopoly in any interstate trade" is illegal. This is, in substance, merely a repetition of the terms of the present law; a definition by using the words to be defined. The attempt at a real definition vanishes altogether. In Its succeeding clauses the bill enumerates unfair business practices that are already understood to be proscribed by law and are no longer used in reputable business. The clauses add nothing to prohibitions and condemnations that are contained in the Sherman law and have on many occasions been the subject of prosecution by the Government. It is, for instance, already perfeetly known that it is illegal for a manufacturer to make any agreement er's particular line of goods and to refrain from handling in any way the

thing but surplusage. We notice, howwill be of more far reaching effect in kept alive? the business world than any that have yet been offered in Congress, and people in business must still restrain their impatience to know how far the President wishes to go in this direction.

The Parents' League.

That good nature and generosity of the part of fathers and mothers has resuited lately in the undue elaboration of ents and educators allke, and the movement to check this tendency taking form in the organization of the Parents' League is the natural response of common sense on its recognition of an unfortunate tendency. What one or a few families might find difficult or even will render easy, for through it unt-

meeting called by Miss Spence and Miss amounted to £17,048,406, while from CHAPIN bears convincing testimony. and that it is on the road to successful from the United States £7,107,280. In fulfilment of its purpose the moderation selling goods to Venezuela the United promise. Restraint to reasonable pro- Great Britain, the value in bolivars portions of those gayeties that every (about 82 cents) being Great Britain, parent desires for his children is a principle of child culture as much neglected 045,443; while Germany's total was outside of New York as in this city, and this practicable method of reestablishso so ing proper balance between time devoted to play and time given to the serious business of growing up is worthy of serious consideration in communities small as well as large.

Japan's Policy in Mexico.

As Japan has the same right as other nations to send a cruiser to Mexico to inadequate transportation from the look after the interests of her citizens in that disturbed country, the act of the from Panama and lack of enterprise 250 Japanese Embassy at Washington in on the part of our exporters. In the THE EVENING SUN (Foreign), Per Month. 1 on giving out Baron Makino's statement case of trade with Chile it will be, in-Tokio seems supercrogatory until the for Great Britain and Germany are understood.

Unfortunately Japan has been sus pected by alarmists of ulterior and sinister designs against the United States rency), as compared with imports of in Mexico. There was the Magdalena 80,578,552 pesos from Germany and Bay incident, which led to the adoption 43,221,833 from the United States. The of the Lodge resolution in the Senate value of the Peruvian imports from amendatory of the Monroe Doctrine, al- the same countries in pounds sterling though, as it turned out, the Japanese was: Great Britain, £1.719,831; United Government was not involved in the ne- States, £1,165,602; Germany, £946,206. gotiations of a steamship company for With Ecuador and Colombia the United a coaling station on the Pacific coast

The missions of DIAZ and DE LA It should always be understood that BARRA to Japan, the latter of which was there will be no "sharp competitive consummated, also had a peculiar look struggle" for the Pacific coast trade of to pervous souls. The Government's South America as a whole unless Conpunctilious reserve in receiving Senor gress provides the American exporter of Tokio and the mouthings of demagogues counted for nothing. Suspicion and distrust of Japan still persisted. When the Idzumo, a cruiser of 9,800 tons, reached the west coast of Mexico the absurd story was published that her body of marines, by special dispensation of the Huerta Government, was to proceed to the city of Mexico, although the marines of Admiral FLETCHER's squadron remained on their ships at Vera Cruz. The report was calculated to spread an impression that Japan had some kind of understanding with Mexico that boded ill to the United we said that we must defer comment States. And contemporaneously the agitators in Tokio were proclaiming that

in blood. The Japanese Government could not afford to ignore the distortion of her under it until the proper legislative Mexican policy as it affected relations with the United States already strained by alien land tenure legislation in Calimatter only in general terms, and confornia. Hence the precise and carefully worded statement of the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Baron Makino, explaining why the Idzumo had been despatched to Mexican waters and concluding with the hope that "peace and tranquillity will be restored in Mexico at the earliest possible date, and that its inhabitants, native and foreign, will be enabled to live free from anxiety."

An Up-State Heroine.

In one light perhaps there was nothstands that these words have already ing unusual in what ELIZABETH FISHER. been defined by the courts and in the 12 years old, did on Thursday aftercommon understanding as definitely as noon. A despatch from Poughkeepste they ever can be. In his enumeration told that in crossing the ice on Fishkill they ever can be. In his enumeration told that in crossing the ice on Fishkill of the acts which constitute an offence under the anti-trust law the President colm, went into the water and under the anti-trust law the President colm, went into the water and under the act that the audiences have gathered in its portals to watch to run the great Republican party in the corp of eugenics in forgotten Sparta. Why caught him, held him under the ice, pounding the ice in vain, and finally let the current carry them to the next bend, where the ice was broken. Then the despatch says:

"The ice there was broken and ELIZA-BETH brought her brother to the surface. The current threw them against the bank and the girl struggled out, drawing her brother with her. No one was in sight, and ELIZABETH started back across the fields toward her home, carrying MALCOLM on her shoulders. Her clothes were freezing with the water and occasionally she had to put MALCOLM down to rest. MAL-COLM was quickly revived and to-night is all right, but the exposure and the exertion may result seriously for ELIZABETH."

There are many, many persons who never heard before of little ELIZABETH FISHER, but they will await good news with a dealer whereby the dealer binds from her bedside. Courage, nerve, sacbimself to sell only that manufactur- rifice in a child are primeval things, intangible and unaccountable. This girl was not led to such instantaneous heroism through the reasoning of ethical It is extremely difficult to find in the philosophy. She did not know EMERSON President's new anti-trust bills any had said that "it is man's perdition to be safe when for the truth he ought ever, that the most important among to die." Hers was the instinct of the his faithful followers, utterly disregardthe measures suggested by the Presi- potential mother, the race mother, savdent as advisable are not included in ing and protecting the young at the the bills whose terms were published reckless, heedless gift of her life. "Toyesterday. There have been no bills night in her home at Upper Hopewell counter. yet introduced referring to the ques- she is threatened with pneumonia, but tion of holding companies or to the happy." A strange sort of happiness proposal to limit the ownership and for a child of 12, and yet is it not voting power of stock held by indi- precisely the same happiness in varying Lucky it is for him that he has quit viduals. Measures of this character phases upon which civilization has been voluntarily. Had he remained, infuri-

After the Canal Is Opened.

Among the "immediate consequences" of the opening of the Panama Canal the German General Staff sees "a sharp competitive struggle against foreign, especially European, commerce throughout Latin America." Competition on the part of the United States will have to be more practical and enerentertainments for boys and girls is a getic than it is now to relegate Great fact which has been deplored by par- Britain and Germany, our chief rivals in South America, to the rear.

The canal will do nothing for the east coast of South America, to which Great Britain and Germany bave better access by numerous steamship lines than the United States, although New impossible to accomplish, cooperation York is nearer to Rio de Janeiro and Buenos Ayres, but not by a great many formity of hours and amusements may miles, than London, Bremen and Hambe attained, without compelling any in- burg. In 1911 Great Britain sold goods

Germany they were £8.982,411, and 27,888,018, and the United States, 27,-16,559,302 bolivars. The United States therefore would have to make strenu ous efforts to get the lion's share of the trade of the east coast of South America.

Our great opportunity will be found on the west coast, as we shall be in close touch with it. If we do not get the lion's share of the trade on that side of South America it will be due Pacific coast of the United States and on the subject to the Parliament at deed, "a sharp competitive struggle," ports from Great Britain in 1911 doned. amounted to 111,767,889 gold pesos (about 35 cents in United States cur-States does even better comparatively, but the volume of trade is small.

The Vindication of the Movies.

It might be called a handsome sendoff, that indersement of the moving pictures which came on Monday from the leading theatrical managers. It his exhibitions of the films. Coming from such a quarter, this praise of the new form of entertainment which is many city Republicans, particularly occupying so many theatres once sacred New York city organization. to the spoken drama is of the greatest significance.

Yet it was only a few years ago that. By a combination of circumstances the price of this diversion has happened to There has been a steady growth of disthe public at this time. So the movies have continued to grow in favor.

By degrees the managers have come into the field of their rivals. There is scarcely a managerial firm to-day which has not its atelier and its forces of actors before the camera. Undoubtedly the quality of the output has greatly improved. After a while all the pictures will be made in color and there will be a still higher artistic average to interest spectators.

In the meantime no theatre need historic Wallack's, the aristocratic ; public demanded it to the silent drama. No wonder then that the managers the good name and incidentally show how close a relationship exists to-day between these two departments of dramatic diversion.

How Did He Ever Get In?

How did so coarse and crude a person as Max Steindler, late leader of the Progressives of the Sixth Assembly district, ever creep into that band of altruists? He was out of place there from the first.

Filled with misconceptions as to rule by the people, last fall he actually refused to let the county authorities tell him who should be nominated in his dis trict, cravenly allowing the voters to have the candidate they wanted; since then he has brazenly demanded jobs for selves without seats at the public lunch

A base and contemptible fellow, this he fails to grasp the fundamentals and essential principles of social justice. ated virtue must have turned and demolished him.

"Father, what is the Constitution?" "My son, it is a document that is most sacred to the party that is not in power."

Dr. H. SHINDLE WINGERT, director of physical education at Ohio State University, adds up the athletic expenses of American colleges, but makes only the usual "more than one billion dollars a year" out of the account. If Dr. WINGERT is not surprised at his moderation, everybody else will be. Hasn't ne made an error somewhere in h painstaking calculations? Or is "billion" a misprint for "trillion"?

Men actively seeking places on Federal Reserve Board will not be appointed. Despatch from Washington.

Have the remaining candidates failed to profit from the high standard set them by Mr. JOHN SKELTON WILLIAMS?

is discharged and a shower will result. Such is the suggestion made by OLIVER LODGE.—London despatch.

When that happy-and distant-day comes, how shall it be determined what and simplicity of its programme give States ran almost neck and neck with kind of weather is wanted? Will there war settle opposing theories of weather wants? If Federal weather is desired, why lug in electricity? A Government Weather Commission is the thing.

> The formation of a new political party to protect the rights of the laboring classes was urged in a resolution adopted by the United Mine Workers of America

to-day .- Despatch from Indianapolis. Ingrates! Did not social justice. constructive liberalism and a new free dom protect you throughout "modern times," as the Hon. HIRAM JOHNSON called them?

Perhaps no one knows how unsophis ticated Mr. BRYAN can be, but we are loath to believe the story that to spare the feelings of the Spanish nation h friendly purpose of the publication is strongly intrenched there. Chile's im- tragedy in Havana harbor, be aban-

> Secretary BRYAN is still optimistic .- Despatch from Washington. Just give the dove of peace time and will yet hatch out her eggs.

The full responsibility for the honor to

Another fund of \$10,000 raised for HANS SCHMIDT.—Headline. The cause of this noble murderer has

not been forsaken. Rather let the homeless starve than that he should be forlorn.

FOR UP-STATE LEADERSHIP. Reflections of a Republican Voter on His statement as an innocent ex ation born of enthusiasm until Party's Condition.

trol of the party machinery in the As-sembly committees. Of course THE SUN'S

enthroned high in their artistic secu-tity, the mandarins of the playhouses Republican organization in Manhattan has regarded the vogue of the films as an been run solely in the interests of cliques ble and factions, so much so that certain amusement. But nothing of the kind reced first and a candidate's fitness last. a new remedy to uplift the race.

These conditions have grown to such an Usually I find him asleep. Doubtless has happened. The public is still loyal extent they have reached out for control to this less expensive entertainment. of the State organization, such as they

fit in well with the paying powers of satisfaction among the up-State voters. They have regularly supplied the great They have supplied the brains of the orand the solid integrity and ganization And what has the organization of Manhattan done for the State party? has it done anything but hog everything in sight for its favored few, dig deep in the political mud, graft and things which are too rotten to write about?

A great many up-State Republicans are not anxious to uphold Mr. Barnes. They cannot uphold him in some of his views. do believe he is honest in his views and that he has the courage to fight kind has experimented in civilization. or them in the open.
Who ever heard of Barnes of Albany and bold crusaders, they have all for them in the open.

greatest city of America!

playhouse which has not the movies Barnes and the up-State leaders all fair on its conscience. The spacious New minded voters, whether Republican or Amsterdam, the Lyric, the Criterion, Progressive, and the movement is growing rapidly. We know what the up-State leaders are and what they have done in Lyceum, all these temples of another the past and we know what the New art have been dedicated so long as the York city Republicans and the Tammany crowd have done during the last few ears. I speak of the State finance and condition due thereto. stepped up to rescue the Republic's responsible but the city Republicans and Tammany?

The political condition in the State is in a bad way. Let us hope that the fair minded and honest Republicans will rally around men known to be above politica trickery and dickers in political graft and invisible and underground politics.

THE UP-STATE VIEW. NEW YORK, January 22.

WARDS OF THE CITY.

The Case of a Young "Delinquent" Became a Good Citizen.

To the Editor of The Sun-Sir: Mr. Charles D. Hilles, president of the New York Juvenile Asylum, has called attention to the fact that New York city has as wards 24,000 dependent or delinquent chil-dren, and that in the care of them the city pays \$90 a year less than the average amount paid for the support of similar children by other cities and other States. This is a mistake for which the city must some time pay the penalty. The present administration should see to it that these children are properly supported ful of the fact that some of the principal and that a sufficient amount of money men in the county committee are them is appropriated to provide for each one of them an education sufficient to give him or her a fair chance in the world I am acquainted with a young man who 1905, when only a child, pleaded guilty

to the theft of a small amount of jewelry from a room in a hotel in which he was employed. He was sent to the Children's Village at Dobbs Ferry, which is under the control of the New York Juvenile Asy-In that institution he spent two years, making a record never before o since equalled. He was tested in every way and was at all times found to be hon-est. To the superintendent, Mr. Guy Morgan, he said that he was not guilty of the crime charged against him, but by a petti-fogging lawyer had been persuaded to lead guilty.

Leaving the institution, ne merally ought his way through the necessary ought his way through the necessary chair in a warm corner of the cellar schooling and into a profession. He lives been provided for it these with in a Southern city, and is recognized as inights, and yet the ungrateful cuss sleeps one of its rising young citizens. He recently married the daughter of one of its pear in the morning covered with coal but in preference, only to appear in the morning covered with coal well known families. Last Christmas he brought his bride to New York and at the Children's Village made an inspiring talk to the boys now there.

That young man was worth a big invest-ent. As a boy he was just an average boy, not much better and not much worse than the average individual of the 24,000 i

now being cared for by this city.

ARNOLD VAN DYKE ROUTLEDGE. NEW YORK, January 23.

A Lesson in Anatomy.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: It doe not detract from the strength of the car-toon in THE SUN of January 21, "A Lesson in Anatomy." after Rembrandt, to recognize That the society is needed, its progress toward a larger membership since the November day of its formation at a ports from Great Britain to Brazil

Soon we shall be able to have any kind of the catastrophe, is "not dead but speechless." The eminent "men of words" carry was £13.067.899. In the same year expositive electricity into the clouds, and if rain is wanted negative.

A WATER DOG OF NILUS. The Calm and Ancient Wisdom of Seneferu the Egyptian.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-SIE kind of weather is wanted? Will there be State weathers or just a Federal weather? Will the referendum or civil war settle opposing theories of weather rare vintages or Turkish baths; others rare vintages or Turkish baths; others delight to dabble in palmistry, psychic research or astrology, while many are alresearch or astrology, while many are allured by the more pretentious arts, such as eugenics and genealogy. I have never been particularly interested in any of these diversions. But I do like pedi-

Of course a common, ordinary dog is all right in many ways. Often he is all right in many ways.

good watchdog or an agreeable companion or a capable hunter. One of the best foxhounds I ever saw was a mongrel whose reputed father was the Huck Finn of dogdom, but for my purpose I require pedigreed dog.
Preferably the pedigree should be genu-

Preferably the pedigree should be genu-ine, but this is not absolutely necessary, for if it is gotten up impressively and goes back far enough, as every first class pedigree should, very few are capable of picking any flaws in it. It is well to re-rhember that a pedigree is no dull, pro-saic thing like statistics or organized charity. It is full of spice and variety and opens up broad vistas of speculation. urged that services in Arlington Cemetery over the graves of the Maine dead on February 15, the anniversary of the tragedy in Havana harbor, be abandoned.

Secretary Bryan is still optimistic.—

Despatch from Washington.

Saic thing like statistics or organized charity. It is full of spice and variety and opens up broad vistas of speculation. If a man has a respectable genealogical tree of his own he can well afford to be satisfied, but if he has vainity searched the family record in his great-grand-father's Bible for a good old ancestral name, such as Lamech or Mahalaleel, and can find nothing that savors more of ancan find nothing that savors more of an-tiquity than Absalom or Goliath, he has a right to look elsewhere for consolation. In such circumstances he naturally turns to the lesser breeds that can be traced back, generation after generation, to the

The full responsibility for the honor to be paid Mr. Pindell is assumed at the White House.—Washington despatch.

Inquiry, it seems, has disclosed that Pindell was not Mr. Bayan's choice and that the Hon. Jimham Lewis is also blameless. What could Editor the local property of the local property is also blameless. What could Editor the local property is also blameless. What could Editor the local property is because of his noble lineage. I have his PINDELL have written with his magic pedigree translated from an ancient tongue pen that titillated the President's ego and inscribed in a neat and legible hand on heavy parchment. With one or two unavoidable lapses it runs back to the time when civilization was in swaddling clothes, and at a distance looks like a diagram of one of Henry James's shorter

I bought Seneferu from a retired English army officer who had seen long ser-vice in Egypt. He assured me that Sene. so highly esteemed feru's ancestors were that many of them had been ma of worship by the ancient inhabitants of the Delta. I was inclined to accept this membered that my informant was an aging to make David Belasco the winner in the first attempt of Oscar Hammer in the fi never met another fellow who knew more about dogs and antiquity.

Do you marvel how any one is able to of the committees is that of Republicans, particularly those mine? Let me explain. Sometimes when many city Republicans, particularly those interested in the present control of the New York city organization.

I am familiar with Republican political am familiar with Republican political am familiar with Republican political are necessary to our salvation, I seek the are necessary to our sattlement. I keep him austere presence of Seneferu. I keep him austere presence of Seneferu. They constitute conditions. For a number of years the for just such occasions. They constitute firside political conditions in this city have to use the English equivalent of a good old French phrase. He is always accessible and the closest scrutiny never dis-turbs his outward calm. Sometimes I feel the need of him after

he is wont to dream of his forebears of the long ago, for he often growls and starts spasmodically, which would seem to indicate that he is enjoying himself amid allen surroundings, for never when awake does he show any interest in his petted and pampered existence.

And as I gaze upon him many things have heard and read about take on an old and somewhat forlorn aspect. It requires a little imagination, perhaps, but that is what one needs in this cold age onomists and calculators. So I see the progenitors of Seneferu playing the Sapphic fragment. I can do it my-through the ages on the banks of the Nile: baying the moon while dynasty after dynasty rises and falls, while ism after ism lives its little day, while this. that and the other social and political re-form flourishes for a while and dies a form flourishes for a while and dies a natural or violent death, wherever man-

look so grave and solemn, you men of messages and missions? Why the attitude of Cortez—or was it Balboa?—"silent upon a peak in Darien"?
You haven't discovered anything.
At most you simply wish to apply old

emedies to changed conditions. And you should proceed prayerfully and in a spirit of humility. Dismiss that look of su-periority, that air of righteousness. Give the past its day in court and listen to the testimony. If you can't understand it hire an interpreter, even if it does diminish the net profits of your endeavors.

If you can't——. But stop. Seneferu moves restlessly; he is about to awake. In stient awe I tiptoe from the roo mbled in spirit and with a normal sense

I wish I had a dog like Seneferu to give to every zealous reformer who is laboring overtime to uplift the race. It night not do any good, and then again it

Who can tell?
I do know that Seneferu has consider him the most valuable dog n the world to-day. So here's to him azy, arrogant, pampered nabob that he SIMON CREEL.

A Name for the Cup Defender. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: saw recently in the papers that it was difficult to find a suitable name, contain-

ing the magic eight letters, for the new up defender.
That there are names a plenty, histori cal, patriotic and poetic, a moment

thought will show.
"Glorious" is my choice from a long list. It's such a splendid word. Every one would know what it meant and how to pronounce it. It is satisfying and fills the mouth—as we hope the wind will fill her sails—completely.

Furthermore it appeals to Americans, for its last two letters stand, together, for a great people, and separately, for a great country!

JANE FRASER. New York, January 23.

The Furred Devil of the Coals.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir:

have been reading your editorial opinion of the domesticity of cats. Why do cats like coal bins as havens usually particular about its personal appearance. A cushion on an arm

I agree with you that "a purrer is Mine must be one, for he lover devil."

Where Artists Fail. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: I am no

an artist or critic, but a picture lover. I often wondered why so many artist can draw faces and figures accurately but fail so lamentably in the hands.

If the subject is a man the artist may paint him with his hands in his pockets or behind his back, and so escape drawing them, or he may put a woman's hands in a muff, but if he actually draws the hands they usually look stiff, lifeless and unnat-

Is it particularly difficult to draw or pain the human hand so that it shall appear natural? If so, why? Picture Lover. Madison, Wis., January 21.

SWEET SMILING SAPPHO. Hers the Reddening Apple Forever

Hanging on the Topmost Bough. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-SIT: your correspondent does a little wider reading he will find that others besides James Stephens have paralleled Rossetti's lines. But of course there is here no ground for the charge of plagiarism or Paintings Gathered by Diseven cerebral coincidence. The simile is even cerebra! coincidence. and 2,500 years old at least, for it is found among the fragments of Sappho accident-of ally preserved by the Greek grammarians di-in Wharton's "Sappho" the literal version

s given as follows As the sweet apple blushes on the end the bough, the very end of the bough, which the gatherers overlooked, may overlooked

not but could not reach. Putting it into English verse is dent "stunt" almost as common as the translation of "Lainge." Here are three versions that happen to be at hand:

| Remarkable Assembly of Anteriors | Common as the translation of "Lainge." Here are three versions that happen to be at hand: As the topmost apple reddens the more Passed by the picker as he gathers his s Forgot not but not to be reached before.

As the topmost apple blushes at the end of the bough. Red and sweet but passed by the pickers

Not forgotten but not to be reached till now. As the sweet apple vells its blushes red On the tip top bough, far overhead, Not seen, or if by the gatherers seen

Not before plucked from its lodging green. The chief difficulty is to keep the ir- late Leon Hirsch, an amateur v reverent student from entitling his version "Lines to an Old Maid." But if we follow Lowell's rule,

Though old the thought and oft expressed, 'Tis his at last who says it best, we must allow Rossetti the English copyright for the present. EDWIN E. SLOSSON.

New York, January 22. Two Other Debtors of the Tenth Muse.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: Are andor, who wrote: Mother, I cannot mind my wheel

nd Byron, who wrote: O Hesperus, thou bringest all good things. not to mention other stealthy pilferers looks like a ames's shorter rowed plumes, while poor Mr. Stephens starves for want of gate receipts? Or shall these men higher up be dragged from the Lesblan muse, to flaunt their borrowed plumes, while poor Mr. Stephens starves for want of gate receipts? Or shall these men higher up be dragged from Elysium and condemned to a lecture on literary honesty? T. L. Riggs.

Cavaguage Mass January 21. CAMBRIDGE, Mass., January 21.

From Sappho to Stephens.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: The of "C. F. S." and of his unnamed and in the letter "More 'Plagiarism," g of Rossetti's "imperishable "dead hand" of Mr. James Stephens, is obviously so poignant that I Mass. The child is extremely heat hasten to give them some information with fat puffed out cheeks, sits upon a that may partially at least assuage it.

Rossetti's lines are a translation of a fragment written by one Sappho, and owe their undoubted beauty to their remarkable fidelity to their Greek original. It may safely be assumed that Mr. James
Stephens was as free to paraphrase that
original as was Rossetti to translate it; the
a link between the early work of M original as was Rossetti to translate it; the inferiority of the paraphrase is due to the painted under the influence of Rembrand fact that it is part Stephane, while the translation is practically all Sappho.

The statement that Stephens has in this instance "plagiarized" from Rossetti re-calls an anecdote heard many years ago. A very minor poet, whom we will call Jones, complains to a friend that an equally minor poet, here called Smith, has evidence of temporary aberration in religious and racial elements have to be the taste of a public that would soon considered before nominations are made turns its back on this inferior form of or positions filled. They must be considered to the considered before nominations are made turns in soutward caim. Sometimes I feel the need of him after equally minor poet, here called Smith, has stored to the south of the second turns and sections and factions, so much so that certain turns in soutward caim. Sometimes I feel the need of him after equally minor poet, here called Smith, has stored turns in soutward caim. latest production. "But," objects the friend, "that conception originated with Byron," "Yes," replies Jones, "I got to

Another Version.

THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: The gold of Rossetti is purer than Stephens's and his workmanship more chaste, but the greater elaboration by the second poet has its value, and we should accord him praise. It is possible, too, to make a much less artistic rendition than his of

Sweet as the apple that blushes At the very tip end of the bough. and was missed in the harvest-nav. Ins

To reach it they knew not [art thou: So sweet and so tempting art thoul

If this has any merit it is because with the exception of the words in brackets, it is a very close translation. in transli would be as interesting as that in pro

ducing palindromes, and far more profit-NEW YORK, January 23.

Literary Spongers on a Woman. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir. good sized anthology could be into the poets from Catullus down who have the Lesbian. An amusing filched from the Lesbian. An amusing commentary, isn't it, on the assertion that woman has never done anything lasting in the arts. If quantity be lacking, quality is so beyond reproach that men go blithely borrowing from her down the ages, blithely borrowing 1100.... with never a thank you.

J. D. BENNETT.

NEW YORK, January 23.

Mr. Bryan's Peace Treaties.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: Fred detcalfs fears relative to the Wilson Bryan "peace treaties" are logical on his own premises, which he develops excellently as a proposition in a letter printed in The Sun of January 22. The whole in The Sun of January 22. The whole question is, however, purely academic, for as a matter of fact the treaties actually negotiated and the official text of the notes which thirty-one States have ac-cepted in principle specifically avoid the very point which Mr. Metcalf made. The standard treaty text contains this sentence as Article IV. :

Pending the investigation and report of the International Commission, the high contracting parties agree not to increase their military or naval programmes, unless dan-ger from a third Power should compel such crease, in which case the party feeling itself menaced shall confidentially communi cate the fact in writing to the other con-tracting party, whereupon the latter shall also be released from its obligations to maintain its military and naval status que. The treaty with the Netherlands doe not contain this article or its equivalent, but it will be seen that the article quoted fully protects against any third Power,
DENTS P. MYERS.

Justice to a Deliberate Traveller. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir:

was much interested in that Ohio snail's Marathon recorded in THE SUN of January 20. I do not doubt that Mr. Zahnizer of New Castle watched and timed this snail's progress for a foot, but surely it did not require sixteen days for the snail about to receive it "to move a mile." On that basis I figure thusly: One foot in four minutes equals complete the Hirsch collection, we 21,120 minutes to travel a mile, divided made doubly interesting to collect by 1,440 (number of minutes in a day) would be fourteen and two-thirds days or fourteen days and sixteen hours. I'm for the snail. His progress is slow enough without tagging on an extra day and eight hours more, especially if travelling continuously. Let's be fair and give Madrid.

The Vamanaka collection that the collection and has many the collection and the collection that are the collection that the collection are the collection that the collection

PUTNAM, Conn., January 23. A Palindrome of the Seventies.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: "L. C.

L." states that the longest palindrome which he knows is "Able was I ere I saw Elba." If he will look through Harper Magazine in the early '70s he will find in the "Editor's Drawer" a collection of palin- Confucius, so that each piece dromes, incorporated in verse, each of which at least two thousand years old, is longer than the imputed reflection of three thousand.

Napoleon. I will repeat one of them:

The rugs in "No set nor Ottawa law at Toronto, son.

It would be interesting word play to con-test for the production of the longest in-NEW YORK, January 28.

NOTED LEON HIRSCH COLLECTION ON VIEW

criminating Amateur to Be Dispersed.

Galleries.

One collection of paintings the has involved much anticipatory has been joined to a remarkabl of ancient Chinese art in the ga the American Art Association Square south, to form an auct sure to arouse public interest. tures are those that were collect flaire for old masters, now beln the executors of his estate, and nese art objects are some that have brought to this country by the Yamana

Mr. Hirsch's pictures are greatest painters, in fact one ence none but great names in turning over atalogue. Among the Dutch and Fiem's painters there are Rubens, Peter Breugh-Gerard Dou, Jordaens, Thomas de Keyse Nicholas Maes, Jacob Maris, Ant Mauve, Paulus Potter, Jan Scoorel, Davi-Teniers, Adriaen van Ostade and Ja

Among the English artists are Sir Wi

Francesco Guardi, Pietro Perugino, Gua Reni and Tiepolo. Others are Lucas Cr nach, J. L. David, Fortuny and Goya. B sides that there are some interesting

What is usually considered the place honor in the first gallery has been given to the portrait of a child by Nichol Maes. The child is extremely health cushion and holds a little black and whit terrier in its lap. At the back a curtal is lifted to disclose a landscape, a rive

dew with houses lining the bank.

This picture has interested the critic considerably, and Dr. Valentiner of the considerably. painted under the influence of Rembran-and his later examples painted in t therefore being cited as proof of the correctness of the former theory there were two separate artists

The "Portrait of a Lady" that hang

on the same wall is in this later, Frenc manner of Maes.

The Thomas de Keyser portrait of man is a strong characteristic example of the artist who influenced Rembran Friend. "that conception originated by the street who initially the street was a thoughtful man of midd from Byron and Smith got it from me."

HAROLD H. BOWMAN.

NEW YORK, January 22.

His sitter was a thoughtful man of midd age, with an abstracted look in his eye all the textures are finely done, the half t

skin, ruff, alike admirable The Rubens is a small canvas. pletely filled with the robust painting a head, thought by Dr. Oldenbourg of Pinakothek, Munich, to be a study man in the "Ascension of Mary The collection contains many inte ing portraits, and among them the Go "Lady," the Beechey "James Earl of Cardigan," and the David portrait of

man stand out. The Goya Is Noteworthy.

The Goya is of a woman of mature years, of strong personality and markedly the Spanish type. The picture is ful f good painting, but the face and hands re especially subtle. The dress ided pale vermillon, and a faint flush of this color pervades the lady's complex and in fact the whole canvas. It gives a curious flavor that is not disagreeab The Beechey portrait conserves jus many racial British traits as the Go does of Spain. The flesh is finely and the characterization sympathetical

rendered. The David is as cool, striking and clear as Davids usually are. The pose is eas, and unconscious, and the color and deta

attractive. The religious pieces are grouped o wall of the gallery, and among t Joos Van Cleef Holy Family is uous, not for size or striking co for its sincerity and intensity of f Every portion of the picture is pa religiously, even the book and the of fruit, and the draperies. Joseph, v leans through a window contemplati the Virgin with the Child upon her has the face of a brooding thinker. hair of the Virgin in this painting is

The Van Henessen "Madonna"

highly decorative and full of life.

of the Kings" will be found

dividual also, and the Scoorel "Aderation

with curious and complete

ackground to this Mantegnalike characteristics ble reliefs of the broken buildings. general stir among the dramatis some and a nervousness in the betray a slight kinship to the Italian master also. Van Der Meulen "Town Country Market" is a handsome decoration, and the same is to

Gerrit Horst; of the Tiepolo, and Jerome by an unknown German. An Interesting Velasquez

The title of the "School Ten

number of the Dutch genre pieces

Cornelis van Haarlem, van Ostade

attached to an interesting paint tributed to Velasquez, but we a suspect that the "school teacher the mamma of the young person being spanked, else why should prit's evident grandmamma be p trying feebly to stay with a grim the maternal chastisement? the other three children are s resemblance to school seats. ond young lady in the foreground trays a deep, personal and tears terest in the proceedings, as thousand had either just had hers or w

devotional cause so many of the famous art the pictures. Among them are Di of Berlin, Dr. Friedlander, Dr. bourg, Dr. Valentiner, Dr. Eras

tremely important and has many features. Possibly the bronzes most distinguished items in it. porcelains, rugs, carvings and Many of the bronzes are of the

date, the dynasty of bronzes that Ch'ien-lung chose ex-for his gift to the ancestral ter The rugs in this collection, while

be sold afternoons beginning Jan are rare in design and texture. Hirsch paintings will be sold in the room of the Plaza Hotel on the ev